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## STATEMENT

The most aggressive circles of imperialism, first of all the new administration of the USA are forcing the policy of confrontation with the socialist countries. The USA has imposed the deployment of the new nuclear missiles to Western Europe on its allies. Now Reagan administration is declaring in addition that it is going to produce the neutron bomb and to deploy it in Western Europe.

Besides, the imperialist circles are persuing and supporting the counter-revolutionary elements against socialist Poland. Pentagon has given the Rapid Deployment Forces which were formed against the Persian Gulf under the command of General Rogers, the commander-in-chief of the NATO forces in order to widen the sphere of influence of NATO. Expansionist American circles are planning to form a pact in our region, the Middle East, which will consist of the reactionary regimes. Thus, they are sabotaging peace and security in Europe and in our region.

The imperialists are hiding their aggressive and peace-hostile policy as always with anticommunism and anti-Sovietism, with a curtain of fog. They are perverting the events and they are playing the role of the master thief. It is the CIA and imperialist centers who are behind the fascist regimes, behind the fascist forces in the capitalist countries, and behind the right and "left" terrorist groups. They are attacking the national liberation movement by arms, they are arming the counter-revolutionaries. And then they are trying to accuse the Soviet Union with the lie of "provoking terrorism". They are defining the national liberation movement in Asia, Africa and Latin America also as "terrorism".

USA and the ruling circles of NATO are increasing their pressure and blackmail policy on Turkey. This pressure came after the change of the position of Turkey against the expansionist efforts of Israel further more to light. 69 American senators interfered into our internal affairs undervaluing our national honour. They have sent a letter to Ankara demanding the change of the position towards Israel, and the participation to the efforts of Egypt and Israel to form an aggressive block. Haig and Luns are giving commands to Çankaya to achieve that Turkey should participate in the plans of the imperialists with regard of the Persian Gulf. At the same moment inflaming NATO manoeuvres took place at the Soviet border. General Güneral wearing the uniform of NATO is provoking anti-Sovietism.

The aim of this policy of pressure and blackmail is to bound Turkey further closely to imperialism, to use the territory of Turkey as an aggressive base against the neighbouring countries, and to sabotage the founding of the relations of good neighbourliness with the Soviet Union, with all socialist countries, and with all our neighbours.

The economic and social crisis which are shaking our country since many years make a very dangerous foundation for the achievement of the hegemonis-

tic aims of the imperialist circles. The fact that the ruling National Security Council has approved the enslaving bilateral treaty with the USA and that it is begging from the imperialists in such a manner that it is hurting all the patriots make a great obstacle in front of an honourable and independent foreign policy.

Although some of the leaders and activists of the Nationalist Action Party have been arrested, this party is preserving its positions within the army and the state apparatus. Those circles who are supporting this party become more and more active and they are waging anti-communist and anti-Soviet campaigns in the reactionary press. Measures of terror and repression against the antiimperialist and democratic forces are continuing. All these are widening the facilities for the imperialists to pursue their hegemony on our country.

Washington is trying to strengthen the most reactionary and pro-USA elements within the army and the junta in order to weaken the influence of the reasonable and realist tendencies in the political scene of Turkey.

The speeches of the president of Italy has provoked the accuse of blaming Soviet Union and the CPT with terrorism. This was followed by some terrorist actions against the officers. All these have one reason: to hide the anti-democratic repressions of the junta, the bloody brutality of the torturers, the despotism of CIA, MIT, counter-guerilla and of the fascist MHP from the world public, to justify the suppression, and to drive the potest of our people against terrorism towards anticommunist and anti-Soviet channels.

The CPT is against terror and it has already declared this position many times. The terrorism has nothing to do with Marxism-Leninism and with the great ideals of the struggling communists. Today not only the communists, but also the democratic forces who deny terrorism, as the class trade unions, workers' parties, and progressive intellectuals suffer the under hard military measures of suppression.

The CPT is against all these measures of suppression and demands the annihilation of those centers which are provoking the terror. In order to liquidate the sources of terrorism, it is neccessary to put an end to the dependence on imperialism, to wrench off the roots of reaction and to realize the fundamental democratic changes.

The CPT is appealing to all antiimperialist and democratic forces for unity of action in order to repel the imperialist pressure on Turkey, in order to weaken the positions of the most reactionary and imperialist circles inside and outside the junta, and in order to achieve a turning to democracy.

19 February 1981

The Central Committee  
of the  
Communist Party of Turkey

## **SPEECH OF COMRADE İ. BİLEN GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE CC OF THE CPT ADDRESSING THE 26th CONGRESS OF THE CPSU**

Very esteemed comrades,

On behalf of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Turkey and of the working class and all working people of Turkey, I greet the 26th Congress

of the fraternal CPSU, this historical great forum with most fervent feelings.

For the communists of Turkey, the CPSU, the party Lenin's, has always a prominent place within the world communist movement. The lessons driven from its rich historical experiences are enlightening the world revolutionary process as well as the CPT and all revolutionary forces in our country. Soviet Union is proceeding with solid steps on the road of constructing communism under the guidance of the CPSU.

The report delivered by comrade L. I. Brezhnev to the 26th Congress is reflecting the big development in this direction. This report is enlightening the burning problems which are concerning the whole mankind, and it is an important contribution to the creative development of Marxism-Leninism.

The communists and all progressive forces of Turkey appreciate the big successes of the Soviet people with great pleasure. The economic strategy approved by the 24th and 25th Congresses has been realized with success. The level of the living conditions of the people has been raised. The new Soviet Constitution has been put in force which is in accordance with developed socialism. The socialist democracy has reached a new level. The nations and peoples living in the Soviet Union are weld further more, and the friendship among them is reinforced further more. The social, political and ideological integrity of the Soviet society has strengthened further more. The continuously increasing role of the CPSU in guiding and organising is a determinative factor in this direction. The CPT is convinced that the 26th Congress will be a new upsurge on this successful road.

26th Congress of the CPSU is taking place in a very critical phase of the international situation. Continuation of detente, or stepping back to the period of "cold war"? This question is imposing itself with all its urgency. The most aggressive circles of imperialism, US imperialism first of all, are mounting the policy of confrontation with the socialist countries and of striving for military superiority. Reagan administration has declared that besides the middle-ranged missiles also the neutron bomb is going to be deployed in Western Europe. The pursuit and support of the imperialist circles with regard of the counter-revolutionary elements in the socialist Poland is threatening peace and security in Europe. The expansionist and imperialist US circles who have declared our region, the Middle East, a region of their "national interests" are planning to form a new pact consisting of the reactionary regimes. They are striving to widen the sphere of influence of NATO in the direction of the Persian Gulf. Another factor which is endangering peace is the anti-Soviet and socialism-hostile policy of the Peking administration and the growing military cooperation between the Chinese hegemonists and the imperialists. The imperialists are calumniating the internationalist aid of the Soviet Union to the people of Afghanistan on the demand of the Afghanian state. The Chinese hegemonists and their reactionary allies are going on to interfere into the internal affairs of Afghanistan by arms.

The consistent Leninist peace policy of the socialist countries, first of all of the Soviet Union, is a vast obstacle against this dangerous process. The CPT and the working class of Turkey are appreciating highly the uninterrupted efforts of the Central Committee of the CPSU and especially of comrade L. I. Brezhnev for international detente and disarmament. It is possible to continue and to develop this process if all peace forces who understand that there is no other healthy alternative than of the process of detente form a unity of action.

The reinforcement of the international communist movement will increase the influence of the struggle for peace further more. Therefore, the CPT is defending the actuality of a common forum of the world communist movement.

The ties of fraternity between the CPSU and the CPT are strengthening since 60 years on the basis of the principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism. Each success of the Soviet Union in the construction of communism, each contribution of the Soviet Union for the defence and strengthening of the world peace is the most solid source of strength and inspiration for the struggle of our people for freedom and independence.

Esteemed comrades,

The relations of good neighbourliness and cooperation between Turkey and Soviet Union, the reinforcement of these relations are carrying a great importance under the conditions where the hegemonistic efforts of US imperialism in the Middle East are mounting and where deep crisis are shaking our country. The communists of Turkey are the most militant defenders of the Turkish-Soviet friendship the foundations of which were laid by Lenin and Atatürk. The unselfish aid of the young Soviet state for the economic development of Turkey immediately after the Great October Revolution make a concrete example of the Leninist internationalism for our people. The development of the relations between the two countries is an important factor for strengthening of peace and security in the region. The constructive and positive proposals of the Soviet Union are creating positive facilities to prevent our country to be dragged into adventures within the aggressive and imperialist plans. With the joint efforts of all antiimperialist, peace-loving forces and of those who are for the national interests, it is possible to repel the intrigues of the reaction instigated by imperialism against the development of the relations with the Soviet Union from which to the Turkish economy and our people benefit and which are approved by the realist circles.

The recent economic crises in Turkey is first of all the result of the dependence on imperialism and of the heavy military spendings. Last year, the rate of inflation in Turkey has exceeded 100%. More than five millions unemployed, the decrease of the national income below zero are among the indicators of the crises. The abolishment of the trade union freedoms, the annihilation of the rights of strike and collective bargaining by the military regime lasted in the further overwhelming of the burden of the crises on the working people by the monopolies. Imperialist financial centers, as the International Monetary Fond and the Wold Bank, are imposing heavy economic and political conditions for the compensation of their socalled "aid".

The fundamental condition to save Turkey from backwardness and crises and improve the living conditions of the people is to end the hegemony of imperialism and collaborating monopolies, of the big landowners on the economy and political life of the country.

American imperialism is making use of the difficulties that are facing Turkey. It is implementing a rough policy of pressure and blackmail in order to drag the country into a new pact of aggression together with Eygpt and Israel and in order to use our territory for its hegemonistic aims. Thus, it is striving for annihilating some realistic tendencies in the foreign policy of Turkey and to tie the country much stronger to imperialism.

The fundamental condition to end the pressures and heavy military expenditures by imperialism is to step out of NATO, to annul the American bases

and to tear up the bilateral enslaving treaties.

In order to hide their aggressive aims, the imperialist centers are accusing the Soviet Union and the CPT with lies that these are pursuing terrorism in our country. Parallel to this, the reactionary press is mounting an anticommunist and anti-Soviet campaign. It is increasing its instigations in the direction that the repressions on the progressive forces should grow much more. However, there is a very well known fact: As it is stated by the CPT many times, terrorism is not consistent with the theory and practice of Marxism-Leninism. A second fact is the following: The common point which is uniting the neo-fascists and the maoist terrorists of any kind is their enmity against the Soviet Union and against the CPT.

The measurements of the military regime against terrorism have limited the influence of the "left" terrorist groups and to some extent of the neo-fascist Nationalist Action Party. The positions of the religious reaction have been also weakened. On the other hand hard repressions are continuing on the organisations of the working class, on the democratic forces, and on the Kurdish national movement. The progressive forces of Turkey are facing the most widespread arrests since very long years. Hundreds of the leaders of the factory councils have been arrested. The class trade unions and DİSK are closed down.

These repressions on the democratic forces and the abolition of the main democratic freedoms make an objective base for strengthening of the positions of the reaction inside and outside the army. Today, one is observing that these forces get more and more active. This situation brings our country in front of the following dangers: To be dragged into imperialist adventures outside, the exhaustedly suppression of the working people for the interests of a handful monopolists inside, further engagement of the economy of the country to the imperialist monopolies, the strengthening of the positions of the neo-fascists once more... Therefore today, the struggle for the democratic freedoms of the working people and of our people is the most urgent task in repelling all these dangers.

The CPT is appealing to all those forces who are against the impositions of imperialism on our country and who are for the national interests to unity of action, in order to weaken the positions of the reaction, in order to stop the repressions on the democratic forces, and in order to turn to democracy.

Esteemed comrades,

The CPT wishes great success to the work of the 26th Congress of the CPSU.

Long live the Leninist CPSU!

Long live Soviet Union, the land Lenin's!

Long live Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism!

*Atilim, 1 March 1981*

## RECOGNIZE THE ENEMY WELL

Outside: the diverse pressures and blackmails of imperialism. Inside: the anti-communist instigations of the reaction. We are facing all these. And the junta is implementing a contradictory policy.

Let us look from one side: The junta didn't make anticommunism and anti-Sovietism as the official state policy. It resisted terrorism. Although limited, it took measurements against the Nationalist Action Party. It captured many murderers. After the national and international protests, it declared that the torturers are going to be punished.

Then the junta said that it is going to follow a peaceful foreign policy. Indeed, the relations of good neighbourliness with Soviet Union are developing in a positive manner. The decision taken by the Demirel government which was a directive of the IMF and which has prohibited the trade with the socialist countries, was abolished. USA could not get a concrete result to the impositions to make the country a springboard towards the Middle East. The fact that detente-hostile foreign policy has been refused carries a special importance. But it is also a reality that the bilateral enslaving treaty with the USA is approved by the junta and that inflaming NATO manoeuvres have taken place at the Soviet border.

There appears General Güneral and depending on the authority he has taken from his masters from the USA, he puts himself arrogantly on the top of the chain of command of the army. He speaks from using tactical nuclear weapons against the Soviet Union. The commander of the martial law in Bursa, General Aral. He makes official announcements which are full of furious anti-Sovietism on "Russian expansionism" lasting from the period of the Great Petro. The same Aral has changed the centers of the security forces to the centers of tortures. He is training the police for preparing massacres against the striking workers. Some of the martial law commanders rally the school directors regularly every month and organize seminars for them on anticommunism and anti-Sovietism. General Ergun, the man of the executer Elverdi is functioning the headquarter of the martial law of Ankara for the benefit of the torturers. This Ergun changes the decisions of the so-called independent martial-law-courts arbitrarily. As in the case of İlhami Soysal, he lets the released democrats to be rearrested.

Are these the whole of such implementations? Until where does the edge of these most reactionary, most pro-American circles reach? For example General Şahinkaya. He arrived Turkey just one day before the coup of 12 September from the USA and took part in the coup. Now he is in the junta. For example General Ersin. He is among the founders of the counter-guerilla which was formed during the repressive regime of 12 March 1971-1973. He is now in the junta. He is interfering into the martial-law-courts and defending the arm-smugglers. He lets the courts to take decisions for the arrest of the trade unionists by force.

With the influence of these dark circles the initiatives against the murder nests of the Nationalist Action Party entangled to a series tools of murder. Türkeş, the chief murderer writes letters and says: "You cannot try me". He is still not tried and the account of the murders are still not asked from him. Other chiefs of the Nationalist Action Party are going to be released one by one. No account is taken from the agents of the CIA, MIT and counter-guerilla who have organised the massacre of the 1st May 1977.

All these facts are prove that the pro-American, reactionary and militarist circles posses such important positions, Lately, together with persuits of the anticommunist press, the repressions of the junta on the democratic forces are increasing, and these are spreading to a very wide scale, including the peace forces. This indicates merely that the influence of imperialism and of the pro-American circles is growing more and more and that the dangers facing our country are threatening severely.

We, the communists have underlined from the very beginning on that the military regime is a convenient milieu for the most reactionary and militarist forces. The statement of the CC of the CPT on February 19 is appealing the antiimperialist and democratic foces to struggle, in order to repel the imperialist impositions on Turkey, in order to weaken the positions of the most reactionary and pro-imperialist forces inside and outside the junta and the army, to isolate these latter, and to turn to democracy.

Under the conditions where the dark militarist circles are increasing their influence, the determination of the inner contradictions within the leadership of the junta and the army does not lose its importance. On contrary under these hard conditions the clearness in the policy of the communists and of the democratic forces carries much more importance than yesterday.

To recognize the different tendencies within the ruling circles, to see the uncertainty among the people which is a result of the contradictory policy of the junta, and to determine the facilities which are prepared by these facts carry unabondable importance for successful struggle. We must recognize our enemy well. We must direct our blow to the heart of the main enemy.

*"Voice of the CPT", 8 February 1981*

## A LISTENER LETTER

"The inhuman tortures in the police center of Ankara are continuing. One week before a democrat was killed. Thus, the number of the victims of the political police in Ankara has reached five. This is of course the known number. There are also the "unknowns". Like the woman teacher who was tortured to death and left to the streets of the district Siteler.

Unal Erkan, chief of the Ankara police is one of the responsables for the tortures. He is guiding and sometimes realizing the tortures. His assistant fascist Ali Alkan, Azmi Derin, the chief of the Political Police and Kemal Yazıcıoğlu, the "specialist" for the tortures form a bloody "gang of four" and decide every three days who is going to be taken to tortures.

The police school behind the police center Yusuf Kahraman is now a torture center. There are 39 torture chambers there. 180 torturers are working here. These torture chambers are the headquarters of this "gang of four". The fascist

cadres are supported and appointed by them. This "gang of four" owns supporters within the martial law authorities. One of them is General Osman Ekinçi, the assistant of staff of the Ankara martial law and the main supporter of Ünal Erkan. Besides the Yusuf Kahraman torture center, also a house of interrogation in the military prison of Mamak stays for their use. Kemal Yazıcıoğlu, called "Dr. Kemal", is educating new "doctors". Rıdvan Güler, the assistant of Kemal and the murderer of Yaşar Gündoğdu, is one of these "students". Torturer Rıdvan Güler is torturing while he is drinking alcohol and making use of the 90 days detention period, he is bothering the women detainees. Tuncay Yağmurlar, Mustafa Haskırış, Enver Göktürk belong to the chain of the torturers. They are killing people by hanging from the feet."

*(Abridged)*

## information

### WHO IS GIVING THE COMMAND?

The most reactionary, pro-American and collaborating circles inside and outside the junta and the army pay a special attention to mount the repressions on the democratic forces and to rearrest those who were released. In some cases very clear examples of the activity of these circles are seen in the country.

On 1 February a raid took place to the villages Mezit and Sulhiye in İnegöl. This raid was realized without the information of the martial law authorities of İnegöl. The authorities did not know also from where the soldiers and gendarmes are coming who took part in that raid. The inhabitants of the region are marking that events of that kind took place many times since the 12 September coup. And they are asking the question: Who is giving the command?

Another interesting event happened when General Evren, president of the "National Security Council" visited Diyarbakır. In this town of the Turkish Kurdistan where the suppression has reached its peak point, the tortures are interrupted suddenly. For three-four days also many detainees were released. But after the visit of Evren everything has started once more and more severely.

Another event is that: In some regions the arrested fascists are released. For example, in Bursa, 87 fascists who are the murderers of 31 people were arrested. But an important part of them were released with the pretext: "Not all of them are guilty". Similar implementations are observed also in some regions of the Black Sea and in central Anatolia.

### They are the torturers

In the official statements it is underlined that no systematic tortures are existing in Turkey, and that those who torture to death are to be punished. Indeed, the murderers of publicist İlhan Erdost are now tried. But there are systematic tortures and "well educated" torturers in Turkey today.

In the 6th floor of the Ankara police center a "chief specialist is working. Muhlis Zincibi is telling to his victims that he was educated in a CIA camp 1976, there are many "specialists" like him in the country, and that they are now practicing their "study".

The torture centers of Istanbul are: Hasdal, Alımdağ, Selimiye, Metris,

Davutpaşa and Kabakoz. This latter is on the beautiful shores of the Bosphorus. Oktay Özdoğan, the fascist director of this torture center is using drug. When the torture specialists of MİT, non-commissioned officers Osman and Ataman arrive, he gives the news to the detainees as the following: "Your very important and prominent guests are there."

In Erdek the black lists, the repressions and arrests are provoked by the martial law commander, by the ex-mayor Ali Haydar from the Justice Party, by Sezai Tekin from the Nationalist Action Party, and by the commissar Hikmet.

The tortures in Çaycuma are exerted by non-commissioned officers Zülfükar, commissar Erdal and assistant commissar Mehmet. Haşim Doruk, the secretary of the Wooden Workers' Trade Union committed suicide hanging himself to the pipe of the central heating. Because these torturers took from him a bold paper with his signature. And as a democrat he could not withstand this fact.

### **Giving a petition: means revolt against the state**

Citizens who suffer under inflation, high prices and low income and who were very attached with the speech of Evren on the TV where he said that also the soldiers earn very little write letters and send petitions to the "National Security Council" through the martial-law authorities. But the answer comes in a different form: At night the door is knocked down, the citizens are taken to the police and accused of revolting against the state.

After the factories and enterprises, now the villages have become centers of collecting fees for the funds of the armed forces. While a pro-Nationalist Action Party was appointed as the director of the Cooperative Direction, the villagers are forced to collect money. One of them took place in Bursa. 50 village muhtars (village leaders) are gathered and receipts amounting 500 000 TL. are divided to them. The muhtars have to collect the money for the army till the end of February. Those muhtars who have remarked that the villagers cannot afford the money for these fees, were threatened.

Heavy repressions to destroy the progressive cooperative movement are going on. After the court case against the central organisation Köy-Koop which represents 2380 cooperatives and 2 500 000 members, the leaders of the local cooperatives are also suppressed. One of the examples is the cooperative in Safalı in İzmit. The leaders were arrested for 40 days and a paralytic young man was detained for 30 days.

### **Repressions on democratic and peace forces increase**

After the coup of 12 September the security forces arrested many leaders and members of the democratic mass organisations. All of them were interrogated and tortured severely. Some of them were released afterwards. New parallel to the mounting activity of the most reactionary circles, the released democrats are rearrested. For example the leaders and members of the Progressive Youth Organisation and of the Progressive Women's Organisation.

Another indicator of the mounting repressions is the court case against the Peace Committee of Turkey. The Peace Committee which is rallying different minded personalities from different parties is accused of "founding a secret organisation".

The campaign against the CPT

After the well known announcements of Reagan administration blaming the Soviet Union with "being the source of terrorism", the anticommunist campaign in Turkey started to mount. Especially the reactionary and monopolist press is trying to form a public opinion against the CPT. Newspaper Son Havadis, organ of the Justice Party, newspaper Tercüman, organ of the most reactionary circles who have ties with transnational monopolies such as ITT, and the newspaper Hürriyet one of the monopolies in the press increase more and more the degree of their campaign. Son Havadis on 11 February writes: "One thing which is very difficult is to find out the real leaders of the secret Communist party of Turkey.. Every effort is in vain, if these leaders could not be found out." The journal Forum also speaks that the operations after the 12 September are going to be deepened in the direction of CPT.

## A NEW MEASUREMENT OF REPRESSION: EXPELLING FROM CITIZENSHIP

The rise of the solidarity of the European public opinion with the democrats of Turkey, the protest actions in many cities of Western Europe and especially the fact that the democratic forces of the country let their voice hear in the European Council rose a big anger among the reactionary circles. Now a new measurement of repression is on implementation expulsion from the citizenship.

Behice Boran, president of the Workers' Party of Turkey, Gültekin Gazioğlu, president of the Teachers Association (Töb-Der), 34 trade unionist Kemal Day-sal member of the Executive Committee of DİSK, Mehmet Karaca, president of the Metal Workers' Trade Union, Halit Erdem, its general secretary, Metin Denizmen (president of the Bank Workers' Trade Union) among them are called to surrender. If not, they were threatened to be expelled from the Turkish citizenship. The same call is made to famous artists like Melike Demirağ, Şanar Yurdatapan, Cem Karaca who are accused of "being in parallel minds and actions with the illegal organisations in Turkey".

Besides, this measurement of repression which aims to suppress the democratic movement inside and outside the country, the names of the prominent democrats are listed together with the names of arm and drug smugglers and "stars" of scandals like the nephew of Süleyman Demirel, president of the Justice Party and Şelefyan, an industrialist who mixed the olive oil consumed by millions with machine oil. Also Kurdish democrats and intellectuals like Kemal Burkay, and Orhan İrfan Alpaslan ex-mayor of Ağrı have been equilized with the leaders of APO, a terrorist Kurdish organisation.

In order to base this implementation on a solid foundation new laws of citizenship and passports are adopted. The items of these laws are reprinted in newspaper Hürriyet on 16 and 27 February. According to them those who will act "against the security inside and outside the country" will be expelled from the citizenship. And the "suspicious" persons would not get passports, the passports of such people will not be prolonged by the embassies.

A campaign of "we and they" is being waged by the reactionary newspapers, after the directive of the consulates in Bonn and Köln in Federal Germany. During this campaign, the central organisation of the neo-fascists in this country found the opportunity to organise a press conference declaring the fascists

among the "we".

The campaign is protested sharply by the immigrant workers. Some of them say: "If we send valutes, we belong to the 'we', if we demand the release of our relatives and the end of the tortures, we belong to 'they' ".

## THE 14th ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF DİSK

The prominent representative of class trade unionism in Turkey, DİSK, has celebrated its 14th anniversary of its founding under very hard conditions. The anniversary was celebrated by the workers in many factories in different forms. The organisations of the immigrant workers in Western Europe have also made solidarity meetings with DİSK and its arrested leaders in many cities and in many countries.

When the founding of DİSK and the traditions of the class trade unionism were celebrated within the country, Mr. Ahmet İsvan former mayor of Istanbul was taken to the TV in order to "prove" that no tortures are exerted on him. British Guardian and BBC said that Ahmet İsvan declared for the TV such a sentence: "If you consider to be bound to an iron chair for five days with closed eyes and to hear the voices of the tortured people, not as a torture, you can say that no torture is exerted on me." These sentences of İsvan were censored. Another announcement was made with regard of Abdullah Baştürk, president of DİSK. He was interrogated once more, before it was declared officially that also he "was not tortured." But Baştürk was not taken to the TV.

These both official declarations lead to sharp protest inside and outside the country. Since the detention period is prolonged to 90 days, it is clear that the races of tortures could not be found out. Especially by a military doctor.

## documents

## TO THE 26th CONGRESS OF THE CPSU

Very esteemed comrades,

On behalf of the communists of Turkey the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Turkey greets the 26th Congress of the fraternal Communist Party of Soviet Union with most fervent feelings.

The 26th Congress of the CPSU takes place in a period when the most aggressive circles of imperialism and the new administration of the USA are trying to step from detente to a policy of confrontation with the socialist countries, and when they are increasing their efforts to get a military "superiority". The consistent and Leninist Peace policy of the Soviet Union and of the socialist world system is the greatest support for the peace forces of the world against this development which endangers the world peace.

The Communist Party of Turkey and the working class of Turkey appreciate highly the uninterrupted efforts of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Soviet Union and especially of comrade Brezhnev for international detente and for disarmament.

The communists of Turkey and all progressive forces feel a great pleasure

that the Soviet people under the guidance of the CPSU, the party Lenin's, are wringing big successes in establishing the material and technical bases of communism, in the implementation of the economic strategy laid by the 24th and 25th Congresses, and in raising the level of the living conditions of the Soviet people. The new Soviet Constitution, the new level of the socialist democracy, and the friendship of the Soviet peoples which is strengthening more and more make the foundations for the creative work of the working people.

The vanguard steps of the Soviet Union towards the construction of communism and its unique contribution to the defence and strengthening of the world peace are the biggest sources of force and inspiration for the struggle of the working class of Turkey and of our people. The ties between the Communist Party of Soviet Union and the Communist Party of Turkey are developing and strengthening continuously on the basis of the principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism.

The relations of good neighbourliness and cooperation between Turkey and Soviet Union the foundations of which were put by Lenin and Atatürk, and the economic help of the Soviet Union to our people carry a big importance against the hegemonistic efforts of US imperialism in the Middle East.

The imperialist forces are exerting a rough pressure and a policy of blackmail in order to make use of the difficulties of Turkey, in order to use our territory for their adventurist aims, and in order to annihilate some realistic tendencies in the foreign policy. They are provoking anticommunism and the inner reaction and making provocations in the direction to suppress the progressive forces further more. The Communist Party of Turkey is struggling under hard conditions against imperialism, against the dependence on NATO, against the exploitation by the monopolies, against the inner reaction, against the repressions of the military regime on the progressive forces on the way of the unity of the working class and for the single front of all national democratic forces.

The Communist Party of Turkey wishes to the 26th Congress of the CPSU, to to this great historical forum big success.

Long live the glorious 26th Congress of the CPSU!

Long live Soviet Union which is stepping over to communism under the leadership of the CPSU!

Long live Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism!

23 February 1981

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## TO THE PRESIDENTIAL BOARD OF TİP

Esteemed friends,

On behalf of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Turkey we congratulate the 20th anniversary of the founding of the Workers' Party of Turkey and send our militant greetings.

TİP, born in the bosom of the workers' movement has played an important role in the struggle of our people for peace, independence, democracy and socialism. It achieved successes in spreading the ideals of socialism among the mas-

ses, in evaluating the legal facilities, in its work inside and outside the parliament. It has struggled for the economic and social rights of the working people and contributed to the strengthening and development of class trade unionism. TIP played together with all progressive forces in the country an important role in repelling the anti-democratic laws and repressions and in achieving of new democratic rights. TIP has waged a continuous struggle against the dependence of our country on US imperialism and NATO. It has made valuable contributions to the spreading of the ideals of peace.

The CPT has supported from the founding on of TIP its antiimperialist and democratic struggle. The common aims for which we are struggling form also today the strongest source for us to reinforce the compatriotism between our two parties.

The CPT appreciates the role of Behice Boran, president of TIP, within the history of struggle of TIP and her recent contributions towards the unity of the working class. We know her as a heroic defender of scientific socialism and as an undaunted fighter of the peace movement. The CPT is against the anti-democratic decisions which are prohibiting the activity of TIP, against the repressions on the right of citizenship of Behice Boran, and it is declaring its solidarity with all members of TIP who are arrested.

Today the task of uniting the broadest forces in the struggle against imperialism, against the most reactionary forces, for national independence, democratic rights and freedoms, for the economic and social rights of the working people lies upon the shoulders of the parties of the working class. Under the prevailing conditions, concrete steps in the direction of the unity of the working class carries an urgent importance.

Friends,

We are greeting you on the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the founding of your party with our warmest communist greetings.

Long live the unity of the working class!

13 February 1981

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## **TO THE 19th CONGRESS OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF ISRAEL**

Esteemed comrades,

On behalf of all communists of Turkey and of the working class of our country the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Turkey greets the 19th Congress of the Communist Party of Israel with revolutionary militant greetings.

Your Congress takes place in a period when the military factor in the policy of imperialism is outweighing, when imperialism is preparing a global attack against the world revolutionary process, against the national liberation struggle of the peoples. The facts that Near and Middle East is one of the main goals of imperialism and the USA has set up a strategic alliance with Israel and Egypt in the region mean a harder struggle for the forces in the region who struggle for national independence, peace, democracy, social progress, and socialism.

Your congress takes place in a period when important events are on the

agenda in Israel. The policy of Likud, of the right wing of the big bourgeoisie to annex the territories of the neighbour countries by force in accordance with the interests of imperialism and zionism is escalating the danger of facism. The economic crises has taken big dimensions. Likud is not able to withstand the results of its own policy. 1981 when the trade union and general elections will be held and in such a situation the policy of the Communist Party of Israel is consistently defending the rights and interests of the working class of Israel, of all —Jew and Arab— working people, of the people of the region and especially of the people of Palestine. The Communist Party of Turkey shares cordially the standpoint of the Communist Party of importance for establishing a lasting peace in the Middle East.

Esteemed comrades,

The military dictatorship in Turkey attacks first of all the working class and its organisations. While the economic crises in our country is continuing with all its severity, imperialism is increasing its pressure on Turkey to play a more active role in its aggressive plans in the Near and Middle East. The Communist Party of Turkey is struggling to rally the unity of all national democratic forces against these attacks, against the policy of the junta in accordance with the interests of imperialism and of the monopolies.

The Communist Party of Turkey and the Communist Party of Israel are bound fraternally on the basis of the principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism. We wish that the 19th Congress of the Communist Party of Israel will be a solid base for our struggle against our common enemy, against imperialism, and for our joint aims, for peace and socialism.

Long live the 19th Congress of the Communist Party of Israel!

Long live Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism!

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